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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
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Sir:

This is a Response to the Office Action mailed July 28, 2004 for the above-captioned application. Applicants believe that no fee is due in association with the filing of this Response. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees that may be due for filing this Response to Deposit Account No. 08-1641.

Remarks

In the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment ("Notice") issued on July 28, 2004, it is asserted that the amendment document filed on "April 18, 2004", is considered non-compliant for failure to provide a full listing of claims as required under 37 CFR § 1.121, as amended on June 30, 2003.

According to Applicants' files, no amendment was filed on April 18, 2004. Applicants suggest that the Examiner is referring to the Supplement To Third Preliminary Amendment, filed on April 8, 2004. If this is the case, Applicants submit that the Notice is improper for the reasons set forth below.

On December 24, 2002, a Third Preliminary Amendment was filed wherein claims 25-43 were canceled and claims 44-94 were added. On September 20, 2003, a fourth Preliminary Amendment was filed wherein claims 1-94 were canceled and claims 95-149 were added. On April 8, 2004, a Supplement To Third Preliminary Amendment was filed that contained no claim amendments.

The Third Amendment fully complies with the requirement, in effect on that date, under 37 CFR § 1.121. The Fourth Amendment fully complies with the requirement, in effect on that date, under 37 CFR § 1.121. The Supplemental To Third Preliminary Amendment contained no claim amendments. Accordingly, a listing of claims was not required under 37 CFR § 1.121 and the Amendment fully complied with 37 CFR § 1.121, in effect on that date.

In view of the above remarks, Applicants respectfully request that the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment be withdrawn and the Supplement To Third Preliminary Amendment be entered.

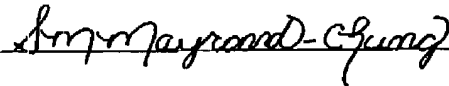
The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number listed below if the Examiner believes such would be helpful in advancing the application to issue. If any additional fees are required for the filing of this paper, Applicants authorize the Commissioner to charge any deficiency to Deposit Account No. 08-1641.

Respectfully submitted,

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